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Customer No. 22882

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Gary Karlin Michelson)
Serial No.: 09/497,590) Group Art Unit: 3732
Filed: June 6, 2000)
For: APPARATUS FOR INSERTING)
SPINAL IMPLANTS)

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

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AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

- 122. The apparatus of claim 105, in combination with a spinal fusion implant.
- 123. The apparatus of claim 122, in combination with a fusion promoting material.
- 124. The apparatus of claim 123, wherein said fusion promoting material is bone.--.